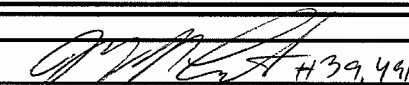


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Utility	330	165	540	270	220	110	
Design	220	110	100	50	140	70	
Plant	220	110	330	165	170	85	
Reissue	330	165	540	270	650	325	
Provisional	220	110	0	0	0	0	
2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES							
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Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)						52	26
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Multiple dependent claims						390	195
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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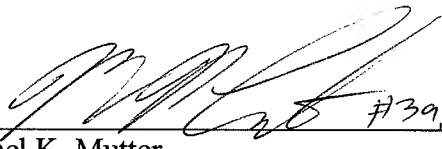
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- ☒ PTO-SB08
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